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FOR PRESIDENT:  
**WINFIELD SCOTT HANCOCK,**  
of Pennsylvania.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT:  
**W. H. ENGLISH,**  
of Indiana.

Our State elections occur Monday,  
August 21.

The first colored jury ever impaneled in the Circuit Court of this District was empaneled in Paducah this week.

Don Oscar T. ... candidate for reelection to Congress, has not issued a list of appointments for public speaking in this District. We see it stated that himself and wife, have been sick and we presume this accounts for his not having entered the canvass more actively. Having no opposition, and no prospect of any, he can afford to leave Turner out of the question, and constitute himself an independent elector for Hancock and English.

**Open the Books.**

The Republican party has had control of the Government for twenty years, and the financial management is as a sealed book to all, except the Republican officials. If there were no other reasons, the simple fact of having these books examined by the opposing party, is sufficient to demand that the Republicans retire and let the Democrats go over these books. Any party will grow corrupt in twenty years, and the Republicans having started in corrupt, have not improved by opportunity.

**Weakness of Verbs.**

The papers of this District are terribly silent as to a congressman from this district. They, with one exception, have heretofore been heroically ferocious Mr. Turner. Why this silence? What change has come over the spirit of their dreams? Is party organization less dear than two and four years ago; or, was there some principle involved then that there is not now? Where be that horde of aspirants who were wont to represent us in the Congress of the United States? Is there not one left to break a lance with the "old outlaw"? Is it a case of revolutionized public sentiment—if so—all hail; but if it is a case of *weakness of verbs*, then say no more, and let's call it "a square back down," and have no more mutterings. Majorities do not carry terror to aspirants who feel themselves in the right.

The following letter shows which way the wind blows as regards the soldiers of the Union Army who know Gen'l Hancock.

Orange, N. J. June 30.—I am very glad to say and at all surprised to learn that so many of your old comrades are going to support Gen. Hancock. The general did so much to insure success of the war, knew so well what it was for and perceived so clearly when it was over, that he preserves the history and enthusiasm assistance of all the old soldiers. That he will receive the support of the great majority of them I do not doubt. I trust that the minority in this State will be too small to be counted, and that we shall all work with the utmost energy for the success of our gallant comrade. With my cordial regards to my old companions in arms, and my best wishes for the complete success of the organization.

I am sincerely yours,  
"Oscar B. McCLANAHAN."

**The South's Solidity.**  
(Baltimore Sun.)

The new South is certainly "solid" in one respect, and that is in its earnest purpose to organize prosperity and resume industry upon a wholesome basis. Planters and farmers are not only getting out of debt, but the people generally are making themselves independent by developing their mineral resources and promoting all sorts of manufactures, from cotton fabrics to wool, from flour to furniture. The South probably spends \$50,000,000 a year less for Northern corn and bacon than it did twenty years ago, and so in regard to many other things. Last year the cotton crop brought \$250,000,000 good money into the South, and this was not all spent in paying back debts. A good deal of it will go to increase capital and industries now growing up. This year it is expected that the return from the great staple crop will be still larger.

The State elections this year, preceding the general election of November, will be as follows: Arkansas, first Monday in September; Vermont, first Tuesday in September; Maine, second Monday in September; Colorado, first Tuesday in October; Ohio, West Virginia and Indiana, second Tuesday in October.

The Union (N.Y.) Observer has this to say of the Republican stampede to the Democratic party: "The great mass of the Republican party are like warm or worse. Not a few are openly hostile to Garfield. We shall print a list of Union Republican signatures to Hancock roll in a few days which will pleasantly astonish our Democratic readers. What is true of this locality is true of the whole North. The tide is everywhere setting strongly in our favor. It will not reach its full until election."

## Hancock's Room.

The boom boom.

Hancock clubs come up magically throughout Pennsylvania.

The New York Era, heretofore a Republican paper, has hoisted the Hancock flag.

Tilden's majority in Kentucky in 1876 was 62,540. Let's make the majority for Hancock and English run up to 100,000.

Gen John B. Cochrane, of New York, and Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State under Grant, have avowed themselves supporters of Hancock.

Col Frank G. Noyes, a gallant soldier and a prominent Republican leader, residing at Rochester, N. Y., has avowed himself a support of Hancock.

Hon Horatio King, formerly Postmaster General, who has for years been a quiet "hooker on in Venice," has written a letter in support of Hancock.

General Hancock is said to be greatly annoyed by the visits of place seekers who want to be recognized as political favorites of the election.

Ex United States Senator John Pool, of North Carolina, Republican, writes that he will work and vote for Hancock.

Edward Butler, formerly editor of the New Haven Palladium, Republican, is making Hancock speeches in Connecticut.

Hon. N. C. Towle for several years Recorder of the District of Columbia by appointment of President Lincoln, is out in a manly manner for the Cincinnati nominees.

The more the Hancock ball rolls the larger it grows, and Democrats have nothing to do, but to welcome the host of Republicans, who are fleeing from the Credit Mobilier.

The Herald Tribune says there are near 100 Republican soldiers in that town, with the gallant Dr. J. W. Robinson at their head, who will support Hancock and English.

Gen. James G. Grindley, of Utica, N. Y., who was president of the convention which elected Conkling a delegate to the Utica convention, is president of a Hancock club.

Henry Kahlo, a leading business man at Toledo, and two years ago the National Greenback candidate for Congress in the Toledo district, has declared for Hancock and English.

All the great candidates who were defeated at Cincinnati have taken the stump for Hancock. We have not heard that Grant, or Blaine, or Sherman have done the same for Garfield.

Gen. Rosecrank made a speech for Hancock in San Francisco, and it was in answer to the call of a great public duty to advocate the election of the heroic soldier and the gallant statesman, Winfield Scott Hancock.

The Hon. J. K. Jenness, ex Mayor of Haverhill, Massachusetts, and for several years one of the most prominent and best workers in the Republican party in Haverhill, is out for the winning ticket—Hancock and English.

A Philadelphia writer says: The Democracy of this State is in better health than it has been since 1856. The Harrisburg convention settled all divisions in the party, and the Cincinnati nominations have filled it with enthusiasm.

"Old Chickamauga," Gen. Steedman, made a arousing Hancock speech in Ohio a few days ago. He said: "I am proud to stand before an audience as the advocate of Hancock and English," that to compare Garfield as a soldier to Hancock was like comparing a tom-tit to an American eagle."

Gen. Gershom H. Mott, of Trenton, N. J.: "I am for Hancock, and I believe he will be elected. He is stronger with the soldier element than any other man in America, not even excepting Grant. Outside of those who hold Federal appointments most of the soldiers will be bound to vote for Hancock."

GEN. E. G. Marshall, another Pennsylvania Republican, is out for Gen. Hancock. He says: "I have known him for a life time, having been with him as a young man in the Sixth United States Infantry, and from his boyhood to the present time I have never known a man more pure than General Winfield Scott Hancock."

**NO FEVER.**

Memphis and New Orleans Free.

NEW ORLEANS, July 18.—Dr. C. W. White, Sanitary Director of the auxiliary Sanitary Association, and Dr. Jones, President of the Board of Health, certify that there is not a case of yellow fever in the city, nor has there been a case in the city this summer.

Memphis July 19th.—Dr. G. B. Thompson, President of the Local Board of Health, authorizes the following: "There are no cases of yellow fever in this city, nor any cases of fever resembling it in any respect. No drummer or other person has been taken sick here with symptoms of yellow fever. The city is remarkably healthy and free from fever of any description or type." The above contradiction is in reply to a special in the New York Herald, this morning, from Erie, stating that a drummer in Memphis had been taken with symptoms of yellow fever.

Grant will go to New York and embark—not for Europe—but in "business pursuits," his intimate friends say. A "literary position" awaits him in Gotham. He will probably be a bank president at \$25,000 a year.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

Mr. Garfield Applies a Wet Blanket to his Room—How the Idol of Spinster Dilettanti Appears in his Letter of Acceptance.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, July 19, 1880.

The Republicans have had another wet blanket applied to their already too much dampened campaign in the letter of acceptance of their candidate.

Mr. Garfield, unfortunately, was both the inspirer and composer of his letter of acceptance. He had not the modest lack of confidence that induced Mr. Hayes to call on Carl Schurz to make him a document. Hence Mr. Garfield's letter is much weaker in thought, poorer in ideas, and less terse in rhetoric than was the letter of the last Republican candidate. The Republican now face an oratorical style of transcendental gush that makes him the idol of spinster literary societies in Washington, but when it is necessary for him to outline the issues involved in the policy of a great nation, he is tame and platitudinous. Instead of the trumpet of higher party aims, and a portent of administrative reform, which the nearly extinct Sumner and Greeley type of Republicans longed for, he has given them only a timorous echo of the timid Chicago platform.

The main question, according to Mr. Garfield's presentation, is the right of Congress to supervise the election of its own members, to protect the voter from intimidation, and the bill of fraud from fraud. This is also the main question of the Democrats, who call it, however, centralization and troops at the polls—or, in more elegant language, the supremacy of the military over the civil authority. It furnishes the strongest argument for the nomination of General Hancock, and they will not be displeased by having it made a straight issue. Mr. Garfield rather abstractly remarks on the cause of "the most serious evils which now afflict the South," that they grew out of a want of liberation of political opinion, but for this he proposes no remedy. He thinks the nation can aid popular education, but should give no support to sectarian schools.

Now if General Hancock will express his determination to do the utmost that in him lies for the promotion of those reforms, for which Mr. Tilden was elected four years ago, he will gain the support of many Republicans who long for improvement in the administration of national affairs.

**As Goes Ohio.**

[Special to the Courier Journal.]

WASHINGTON, July 17.—Hon. George L. Converse, of Ohio, is in town, and brings good news for Democrats from that State. He is a Democrat man, and was selected as a delegate to the National Convention at such. He says that all the stories of coolness between alleged factions of the party in Ohio are false. There is, on the contrary, great harmony and enthusiasm there, and a determination to make a vigorous fight.

cord to the republicans. According to Mr. Converse the coolness between the friends of Sherman and Garfield is growing, and there is not that harmony which has been produced by the letter of acceptance also where. Sherman's friends represent the friends of the administration, and in proportion as the letter pleases the Grant managers it displeases the Sherman and administration people. Mr. Converse says that he is not only hopeful, but confident, that the Democrats will carry Ohio both in October and November. He counts on the vote of many Republicans for the Democratic ticket.

**A Clincher on Garfield from Justice Swayne.**

[Washington special to Monday's World.]

A decision rendered in 1875 by Justice Swayne, of the United States Supreme Court, has been called into prominence by the fact that it settles the question of Garfield's position in the DeGolyer matter, beyond a doubt, and exposes the weakness and absurdity of the arguments employed by his adherents in the vain hope of parrying his record upon the \$5,000 fee matter. The case in which this opinion of Justice Swayne was rendered was that of Chittenden against McChesney and others. It was tried in Cook county, Ill., in May 1875, and was decided on appeal in October, 1880, in the United States Supreme Court. It may be said that Justice Swayne is a thorough Republican, and an Ohio man. The Supreme Court opinion was delivered in the case of Borge against Child, the case of Chittenden against McChesney being submitted on the arguments and briefs filed in former suit. Justice Swayne says:

"The agreement with Gen. Garfield, a member of Congress, to pay him \$5,000 as a consideration for procuring a contract which was itself made to depend upon a future appropriation by Congress—which appropriation could only come from a coalition of which he was chairman—was a sale of official influence, which is void on every account. No co-seller at law while holding high office has a right to put himself in a position of temptation, and under pretense of making a legal agreement exert his official influence upon public officers dependent upon his future action. Certainly the Courts of justice will never lend themselves to enforce contracts obtained by such influence."

The effect of this disclosure on the men here who have endeavored in one form or another to palliate Gen. Garfield's offense could be overestimated. It is a shock so severe that they are yet unable to meet it.

**Robbery.**

Friday afternoon the till of Mr. Brabie's store, near the depot, was robbed of some money, and soon afterwards Constable Griest and Police Officer Ferrel started on this track of the robbers, whom they captured after night at a dance on Court Street. The thief gave his name as Allen Barnes and says his home is in Fulton, Ky. On his person was \$7, but he alleges that he stole \$450, and that the rest of the money was his own. His trial will come up in the City Court Monday.

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## The Oldest Inhabitant.

[Greenup (Ky.) Independent.]

We called one evening last week at the residence of Squire John Adams, to see and interview the oldest man now living in the State of Kentucky.

Andrew Hood was born in his father's lot, located near where Winchester, Clark county, Va., is now situated.

Andrew Hood was married but once, to Miss Mary Cline, who bore him four children and died in 1873. His children and their offspring are now scattered like the seeds of the sea, and the old gentleman does not know where they live nor how many of his progeny there are.

He spoke familiarly of Daniel Boone, who has a hunting companion of his father and whose departure for Missouri in a bat-bottomed boat he distinctly recollects.

Were it not for his almost total deafness many interesting facts might be learned from him, but as it is, it is almost impossible to make yourself intelligible to him.

His life has been a quiet one. He sleeps in a bed, retires when the sun rises and sits up from sunset till the next morning.

He has a cat and a fire in the first place summer or winter, or which he stoops, poking it incessantly with one of his walking sticks. He takes his meals each day, does not smoke, but chews a little, never in his life took any medicine, used to drink whisky, but doesn't now, has his face shaved and is able to walk twenty yards with the support of two sticks.

His life is to help himself, it is inspiring and elevating to note the living tenderness and patience with which his daughter, Mrs. Adams, and her family are devoted to him, and how they all endeavor to render the short interval that he may yet remain on earth, void of grief or unpleasantness.

**A Colored Jury.**

McCracken county has distinguished itself by empanneling yesterday, the first colored jury who ever tried a case in a Circuit Court in the State. The case was that of the State vs. Frank Dabham, a colored man, who was indicted for murder, and was a watch from the person of one Brown.

The motion to have the jury, to try the case, composed of colored men, was sustained, and the men who were chosen to serve on the jury, truly enjoy a distinction that no other colored man in the State can lay claim to. From those examined as to qualifications, the following were selected: content and chosen, viz: Jasper Robinson, James Sanders, Wm. Taylor, Wm. Lyon, Sam'l Chambers, Jordan Wilson, H. H. Boyd, James Bryant, Green Gray, Frank Jones, Wm. Watts and Frank Owens. The jury was quite an intelligent looking one, and on hearing the evidence, they brought in a verdict of guilty, affixing the sentence of Durham at eighteen months in the State prison. Thus worked our first colored Circuit Court jury.

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Some predict that the time will come when people can read each other's thoughts like a book. It is said that many fly leaves will be discovered where least expected.

Ten citizens of Graves county have made a bid of \$1,000 on the election of Circuit Court Clerk in that county. They went to Illinois to arrange the terms to avoid the law against betting in this State.

Cl. Oscar Turner is now under the indictment of Dr. David Vandell, of Louisville, and will not be able to meet his friends in this District before the first or middle of August. His wife, who has been quite sick, we are sorry to learn is but little, if any better.

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Candidates for the clerkship of the Circuit Appellate are numerous. Among those who have been mentioned are: Thos. C. Jones, the present incumbent; Maj. Benj. Desha, of Harrison county; Sam'l M. Gaines, of the Hopkinsville New Era; Smit Dargatz, of Woodford county, and a Mr. Davis, of Shelby county.

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